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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the indicated portions of the specification to read as follows:

Page 18, last full paragraph:

Figure 2: Comparison of the DNA sequences of the lipase mutants P1B 01-H1 (SEQ ID NO: 3),

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